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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116,
98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I am handicapped and was finally able to get a much needed cell phone that was reasonable enough for my fixed income. I NEED this for emergencies, and have Very low volume of calls. Please don't take away our cell phones--handicapped, elderly, low income...any higher amount will put me in a position to be without one. PLEASE stop taxing and charging so much on every necessity--it's forcing people out of homes, to not buy needed medicine. We are being taxed and charged to death! REMEMBER the low income people. M.Swenson

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members